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WSDA Pesticide Enforcement Actions – 2016

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Case Number	Party(ies) Involved / County of Incident	Description	Action	Date of Final Order
CJS-0004-16 PM-16-0019	Juan M. Romero Yakima County	A March 24, 2016, air-blast orchard pesticide application is alleged to have drifted onto a county road contacting a passing vehicle creating an exposure potential for the driver.	A Director's Final Order assessed \$450 along with a license suspension of seven days against Mr. Romero who was the Private Applicator responsible for the application.	11/28/16
JJR-0016-15 PM-16-0016	Champoux Vineyards, LLC Klickitat County	A July 16, 2015 WSDA Worker Protection Standard (WPS) inspection found several deficiencies with Champoux Vineyards, LLC: 1) Keeping the Central Notification Board current. 2) Proper training of workers. 3) Including REI as part of oral notification. 4) Providing all the decontamination supplies required. 5) Handlers properly maintaining their respirators.	A Director's Final Order assessed \$900 against Champoux Vineyards, LLC, as the responsible employer.	10/24/16

JJR-0002-16 PM-16-0017	Monson, LLC Yakima County	An April 11, 2016 WSDA Worker Protection Standard (WPS) inspection found several deficiencies with Monson, LLC: 1) Keeping the Central Notification Board current. 2) Proper training of handlers and workers. 3) Including REI as part of oral notification. 4) Providing all the decontamination supplies required. 5) Handlers properly wearing PPE.	Settlement of \$700 with Monson, LLC, as the responsible employer.	10/20/16
JGA-0009-15 PM-16-0015	Esparza Enterprises, Inc. Benton County	A June 2015 WSDA investigation found Esparza Enterprises, Inc. as a labor contractor was not meeting all the Worker Protection Standard requirements for their employees. Deficiencies included: Proper employee training, providing adequate water for emergency washing in the field, providing prompt transportation to a medical facility for employees alleging to have been exposed to pesticides.	A Director's Final Order assessed \$2,700 against Esparza Enterprises, Inc., as the responsible employer.	10/17/16
JJR-0004-16 PM-16-0013	Columbia Valley Fruit, LLC Yakima County	An April 13, 2016, Worker Protection Standard (WPS) inspection found Columbia Valley Fruit, LLC, not providing employees the proper training and eye wash stations as required.	A Director's Final Order assessed \$700 against Columbia Valley Fruit, LLC, as the responsible employer.	10/04/16

DLZ-0026-15 PM-16-0015	Enrique Rosales Rosales Landscaping, Inc. Chelan County	A July 14, 2015 WSDA inspection found Rosales Landscaping applying pesticides without a Commercial Applicator license. This was a repeat violation from a 2014 Notice of Correction when Rosales Landscaping was cited for applying pesticides without a Commercial Applicator license.	A Director's Final Order assessed \$600 against Mr. Rosales as the responsible Commercial Applicator making the application and operating the business.	9/22/16
DTB-0018-15 PM-16-0010	Luz Martinez, Jr. Walla Walla County	A September 22, 2015, ground herbicide (desiccant) application to potatoes is alleged to have drifted onto nearby apple orchards causing damage to the fruit and trees.	Settlement of \$2,200 and a twenty (20) day license suspension with Mr. Martinez who was the Commercial Operator making the application.	8/22/16
DTB-0008-15 PM-16-0008	Double S Orchards Grant County	A May 5, 2015, air-blast orchard pesticide application is alleged to have drifted into a nearby orchard exposing two farmworkers.	A Director's Final Order assessed \$1,800 against the Company as the responsible business.	6/8/16
MJW-0006-15 PM-16-0009	Juan Ramirez Grant County	An April 8, 2015, ground herbicide application is alleged to have drifted into a nearby vineyard. One vineyard worker claimed becoming ill due to the off target exposure.	Settlement of \$450 and a seven (7) day license suspension with Mr. Ramirez who was the Commercial Operator making the application.	6/6/16
JGA-0005-15 PM-16-0006	Richard Richelderfer Richelderfer Air Service, Inc. Klickitat County	An April 7, 2015, aerial herbicide application is alleged to have drifted across a highway contacting a passing vehicle creating the potential for exposure to the driver.	Settlement of \$300 and a three day license suspension with Mr. Richelderfer who was the Commercial Applicator making the application.	5/9/16

ACB-0028-15 PM-16-0001	Richard Taunt Stevens County	A July 28, 2015, right of way spray truck herbicide application is alleged to have drifted across the highway contacting a passing vehicle creating the potential for exposure to the driver and passenger.	Settlement of \$300 and a three day license suspension with Mr. Taunt who was the Public Operator in charge of making the application.	3/11/16
RDS-0008-15 PM-16-0005	TruGreen LP - Redmond, WA Snohomish County	In March 2015, seven landscape applications were made prior to the company realizing their mix/load person had accidentally added an herbicide to the insecticide / fungicide tank mixture. All seven yards had ornamental plant and tree damage.	A Director's Final Order assessed \$3,600 against the Company as the responsible business.	2/23/16
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